

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
October 23, 2011

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:04 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Gerald V. Chingwa, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Kevin Gasco, Councilor Bill A. Denemy.
Absent: Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount.

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Dexter McNamara, Vice-Chair Julie Shananaquet, Kristy Dayson.

Public: Lance Hinmon, Tony Carson, Chelsea Carson, Sarah Schilling, Rebecca Lynn, Isabella Olson, Annamarie Goodman, Alec Guerrero, Audrey Atkinson, John Keshick III, Yvonne McShane, Billy McNamara.

Casino Staff: Dave Wolf General Manager, Barry Laughlin Director of Facilities Manager, Melissa Richards Human Resource Director, Mike Bodjiak Hospitality Manager, Roger Borton Finance Director, Frank Kersh Slot Manager.

Invited Guests: none

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to adopt the agenda for October 23, 2011 with changes in honor of Elouise Cobell and Karen Gasco Brewer.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of October 9, 2011 as presented.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

9:20 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrived.

1 Renee Dillard: Manoomin (Wild Rice) Presentation.

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3 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Denemy to
4 accept Treasurer Bott's verbal and written Treasurer and Appropriations and
5 Finance Committee report for October 23, 2011.

6 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

7 Motion carried.

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9 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to modify and
10 transfer \$52,500 from the Executive FY 2011 Office of Enterprise Management
11 budget to the FY 2011 Per Cap distribution line-item.

12 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

13 Motion carried.

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15 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Kiogima to
16 appropriate an additional \$100,000 to the Michelle Chingwa Education
17 Assistance Scholarship fund line item with the funds to come from the General
18 Funds Prior Period Funds line item.

19 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

20 Motion carried.

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22 9:59 a.m. Recess called.

23 10:06 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

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25 10:08 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor
26 Wemigwase to go into closed session for confidential business matters casino.

27 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 – Absent

28 Motion carried.

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30 11:25 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Denemy
31 to return to open session.

32 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

33 Motion carried.

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35 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
36 accept the Gaming Authority Committee report including the Casino 3rd Quarter
37 Report.

38 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Bott)

39 Motion carried.

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41 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell
42 to accept the Land and Reservation Committee report as presented by Councilor
43 Kiogima.

44 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Bott)

45 Motion carried.

1 Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Bardwell to
2 accept the Legal and Legislative Committee report as presented by Councilor
3 Kiogima.

4 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Treasurer Bott)

5 Motion carried.

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7 11: 52 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

8 11:53 a.m. Public Comment closed.

9 12:10 p.m. Lunch recess called.

10 1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

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12 Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to
13 accept Tribal Council Members reports from Councilor Kiogima, Councilor
14 Bardwell and Councilor Denemy.

15 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

16 Motion carried.

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18 Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Denemy to post
19 the Economic Development Committee Statute to the Legislative Calendar.

20 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

21 Motion carried.

22
23 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell
24 to amend the agenda to include the National Congress of American Indians
25 Delegate Resolution.

26 Vote: 7 - Yes, 2 – No (Councilor Chingwa, Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 –
27 Absent

28 Motion carried.

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30 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to
31 accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report for October 23,
32 2011.

33 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

34 Motion carried.

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36 2:48 p.m. Recess called.

37 3:00 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

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39 3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

40 3:00 p.m. Public Comment closed.

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42 Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Kiogima to
43 acknowledge receipt of the Executive report for October 23, 2011.

44 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

45 Motion carried.

46
47 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to
48 modify the agenda to add the Executive nomination of the Native American

1 Graves Protection Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) / Michigan Anishnaabek Cultural
2 Protection Repatriation Act (MACPRA) Representative.

3 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

4 Motion carried.

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6 Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to
7 acknowledge the receipt of the Native American Graves Protection Repatriation
8 Act (NAGPRA) / Michigan Anishnaabek Cultural Protection Repatriation Act
9 (MACPRA) Representative.

10 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

11 Motion carried.

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13 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to
14 approve Certified Motion: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development,
15 Office of Native American Programs, Native American Housing Assistance and
16 Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA), Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa
17 Indians, Indian Housing Block Grant Program.

18 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

19 Motion carried.

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21 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to
22 approve Certified Motion: Authorization for Agreements Needed for Kee Wad
23 Noong Extension.

24 Motion and Support Withdrawn and Referred to the Land and Reservation
25 Committee.

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27 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to
28 adopt Tribal Resolution National Congress of American Indians Delegation.

29 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-
30 yes, Councilor Kiogima-no, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-yes,
31 Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Chingwa-no.

32 Motion carried.

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34 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to
35 acknowledge the receipt of Allie Greenleaf Maldonado nomination for the Chief
36 Judge from the Executive.

37 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

38 Motion carried.

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40 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to
41 acknowledge the receipt of Bernadece Kiogima nomination for the Chief Judge
42 from the Executive.

43 Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 2 – Abstained (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Gasco), 0 –
44 Absent

45 Motion carried.

1 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to
2 acknowledge the receipt of Jim Genia nomination for the Chief Judge from the
3 Executive.

4 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

5 Motion carried.

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7 4:41 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to
8 adjourn.

9 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

10 Motion carried.

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16 These Minutes have been read and approved as written (or) corrected: (delete
17 either the word “written” or “corrected” as pertains to how the minutes were
18 approved.)

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Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date